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Dear Sir,

I am writing to you because my wife and I are concerned about the effect that FERC Project 2105 will have on Lake Almanor and Butt Lake. If you are not familiar with this project it is a proposal by Pacific Gas & Electric Company (PG&E) to install Thermal Curtains in Lake Almanor and Butt Lake.

We purchased a lot in 1999 and built a second home in the Lake Almanor Country Club (LACC) in 2001. At that time there was no mention of the proposed FERC Project 2105. Although we are concerned about our investment we are even more concerned about the negative effects this project could have on the lake with no potential benefit downstream. My wife and I drive three hours to Lake Almanor every two weeks to experience its beauty. We also purchased a boat and spend many hours on the lake and we believe that this project could lead to algae blooms which would spoil the lake for boating and swimming. It is a very shallow lake and any additional withdrawal water will affect the quality of the lake and the surrounding area.

The proposed cost and annual maintenance for this project will be paid for by PG&E customers and we don't understand why this project is still moving forward when everything we have read says that it will only raise the temperature of the Rock Creek-Cresta reach of the river by one (1) degree Celsius in the summertime.

I have lived in California all my life and I can tell you that if you have never been to the Lake Almanor it is one of the most beautiful areas in California. From the perspective of someone who cares deeply about the region, I am completely amazed that the thermal curtain plan would continue in the face of such potential negative impact to Lake Almanor and Butt Lake with little or no benefit to the river downstream. We are therefore asking for your help to stop this project.

Sincerely,



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